

Skymasters Bring Game Eleven to Modoc Field

Few Changes Made In Fairfield-Suisun Lineup For Return Tilt With Marines

FAIRFIELD, Calif., Nov. 9.—With a "we wuz robbed" game behind them—a 9-0 defeat by the Tonopah (Nev.) Army Air Base last Sunday—the Air Transport Command's Fairfield-Suisun army air base Skymasters

take on the Klamath Falls Marines Sunday in a return engagement.

Originally scheduled to meet the Seabees of Camp Parks, who have disbanded, the Skymasters cooperated with the marine command at Klamath Falls by moving the originally scheduled date of November 18 to November 12.

Player-coach PFC John Giannoni, despite last week's loss, was loud in his praise of his team.

"But for a few tough breaks, we could very easily have come out on top," Giannoni said.

Although greatly outweighed in every game they have played on their rugged schedule, the Skymasters have given a good account of themselves, and what they have lacked in weight and experience they have more than made up for with gameness. They go into their invasion of the marine camp at full strength, with the exception of their regular back, Lt. Robert H. Lester, who sustained a fractured collarbone in last week's contest.

Giannoni announced that only a few changes will be made in his starting lineup. At right half will be Sgt. Fred "Monk" Meyers, former Xavier college luminary around whom the Skymaster offensive game is built. His running mate at the other halfback position remains open in view of Lt. Lester's injury. However, Giannoni will announce a replacement for Lester after Wednesday's scrimmage.

The light forward line of the Skymasters receives special credit from Coach Giannoni for their stellar work in the Tonopah meeting. It was largely due to the hard charging of these linemen and the amazing pass interception ability of Meyers, that the AIC outfit outplayed Tonopah in the entire second half.

Tickets for the tilt are on sale at the chamber of commerce offices.

Chicago Catcher Returns to Fold

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Catcher Thompson (Mickey) Livingston, who came to the Chicago Cubs late in 1943 and pushed Clyde McCullough out of his regular job but was in military service last season, says he'll be back in 1945 to take over as the club's No. 1 receiver.

Jim Gallagher, Cubs' general manager, said Livingston, in a letter from Newberry, S. C., advised him he had received a medical discharge from the army and was all set for the 1945 baseball season.

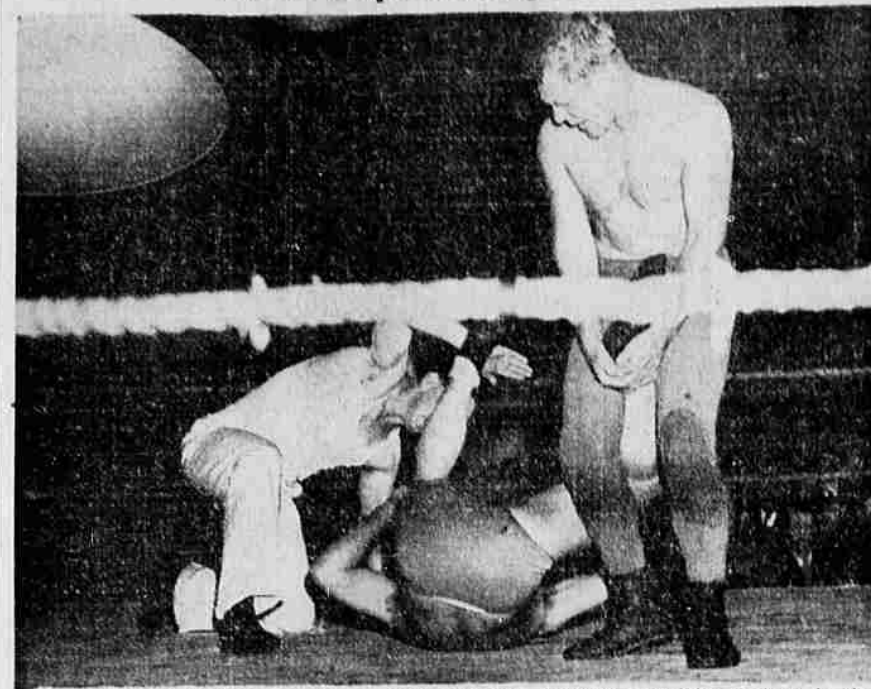
Gallagher, who in his search for catching talent since Mickey's entrance into the army late in 1943, was elated over the news and was confident his return would bolster the club's most glaring weakness and greatly enhance its pennant chances. The Cubs finished in fourth place in 1944.

"Whitey" Kurowski Not Only Standout Athlete In Family

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 9 (AP)—George "Whitey" Kurowski, the St. Louis Cards' third baseman, isn't the only member of that Reading, Pa., family to seek fame in the field of sports. His brother, Anthony, is a candidate for the track spot on the Princeton football team that opens its season against Muhlenberg Saturday.

The 21-year-old younger Kurowski is a V-12 trainee, who reported at Princeton from Penn State November 1.

Paavo Flops Bulldog Jackson



Paavo Katonen is shown applying a reverse stepover hold to Bulldog Jackson in their mat go last week. Pete Belcastro, the Weed Assassin, grapples it out with the "Grey Mask" this Friday night in the main event. In the prelims Ernie Piluso tangles with "Blood and Guts" Davidson and Bulldog Jackson meets an unknown opponent in the opener. In the absence of Wally Moss by Belcastro's request, Tex Porter will referee the show.

Philly Star Serves Under Three Pilots

By JOE REICHLER
NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Ronald James Northey, Philadelphia's slugging outfielder, has the unique distinction of serving three different owners and three different managers in his three seasons with the Phillies.

With the exception of Chuck Klein, who will confine his activities to coaching in 1945, Northey, who joined the Phillies in 1942, has served the club longer than any other player on the team.

During that time the 24-year-old outer gardener has secured his paychecks from club presidents Gerry Nugent in 1942, Bill Cox in 1943 and Bob Carpenter in 1944, while taking orders from managers Hans Lohmeyer, Bucky Harris and Fred Fitzsimmons.

Like the two previous pilots, Fitzsimmons considers the stocky 200 pound, 5 foot 10 inch power hitter his best athlete.

"Northey has the makings of a great player," says Pat Freddie. "We're counting heavily on him for next year. If he continues to hit the way he has the past couple of years, we're a cinch to climb out of the National league cellar."

The record shows that Northey ranked third in the circuit with 22 home runs and 104 runs batted in, and led his teammates with a .289 batting average. For the second successive season, Northey paced his mates in total hits, runs scored, doubles, and triples as well as in home runs and runs batted in.

Los Angeles Angels Draft Two Players

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Los Angeles Angels of the Pacific Coast Baseball league have drafted two players.

Hal Douglas, New Orleans outfielder who batted .284, and Charles Osgood, a pitcher with Newport News, Va., in the Piedmont league.

Worse Than Japs With The Seventh Infantry

LEYTE, Nov. 9 (AP)—PFC Peter Gomez, 24, of Chicago, finds snakes on Leyte a bigger problem than the Japanese. He killed two while crossing a rice paddy with Lt. Col. John Finn of McCoy, Ore., but one of them bit him before he saw it.

Penn State's grid coach, Bob Higgins, who has lost 22 players, including six talented kickers, via transfers, ineligibilities and injuries looked up during practice the other day to see an erstwhile manager trying to kick placements. "This," said Bob, "is total war."

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Duke's record isn't imposing, but performances of triple threat Gordon Carver and mates against North Carolina Pre-Flight and Navy would give Army first real test.



PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Philadelphia Eagles, who have been out of the NFL since 1936, are expected to be reorganized as the Philadelphia Football Club.

World Series Films Ready For Shipment To GI Joe This Week

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Movies of the 1944 world series, 2400 feet of film highlights of the all-St. Louis classic, will be ready for shipment this week to servicemen the world over.

Low Fonseca, American league movie director, said 130 of the 240 prints to be made, will be sent to war-theaters around the globe. The remaining 110 copies will be distributed to hospitals and service bases in this country.

Fights Last Night By The Associated Press

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Billy Grant, 174, Orange, N. J., outpointed Henry Jones, 218, New York, 6; Al Mobley, 141, Newark, drew with Jimmy Pell, 141, New York, 6.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Phil Muscato, 174, Buffalo, outpointed Bill McDowell, 176, Dallas, Tex., 10; Joe Miller, 140, Buffalo, and Pat Giorgano, 147, Toronto, Ont., drew, 6.

From MIDFIELD

By PAUL HAINES

GRUNTS AND GROANS

After Kiser refused Matchmaker Don Owen to twist torso with the "Grey Mask" in Owen's Salem ransling circus, the Pacific coast king must have reneged, as he took a go with the hooded heel by the disqualification route Monday night in Portland.

The way we get it, the set-to had gone to a fall asleep when the "Mask" butted Jack so viciously he opened a cut just below Kiser's eyebrow and also put a gash in his own knok in the process.

The hooded grappler then proceeded to work on Jack's eye only to have the referee stop the bout and give Kiser the nod because of illegal tactics. Laddies, this smells strongly to us of the old game of two brothers and a stranger!

The "Mask" has threatened to protest the decision to the Portland commission and he may be justified. We would like nothing better than to see Pete Belcastro give the hooded heel the business in a great big way, Friday night, but not over the disqualification path.

It is known that the "Mask" has forced some promoters to post \$500 forfeit money in the case that he is unknocked by his opponent or the fans. He also demands and receives police protection wherever he razzles.

The agreement that local Promoter Mack Lillard has with the masked razzler specifies that he unmask if beaten, but requires that Lillard put up a substantial guarantee before he will venture into the ring.

It all boils down to the fact that the "Mask" seems to be a tough buzzard to get along with, both in the ring and out, but we do not think it quite fair to disqualify him for making use of his concrete dome. The head butt in razzing is a legal, though dangerous weapon, and many grapplers employ it, although not with the effectiveness of the "Mask."

So, with Body Bender Tex Porter acting as the third man in the ring, Pete Belcastro gets his chance Friday night to see what he can do against the "Grey Mask." The armory is expected to be jammed to the rafters by fans turning out in numbers to see the natural between the two tough grapplers. Let's all enjoy a good match and not let the affair turn into a donnybrook.

PHELAN RAVE

Jimmy Phelan, former coach of such great grid outfits as Purdue and University of Washington, and now mentor of the teen age kids who now compose the one-time Galloping Gaels of St. Mary's, was sincere and honest in his praise of the kids who played their hearts out for him this year.

The campus kids never came close to winning a football game all season but they picked no easy sledding in California, Alameda Coast Guard, U.C.L.A., Southern Cal and the Fleet City Bluejackets. No, they picked no easy tasks, these kids of Phelan, but they went out there on five Saturday afternoons and gave everything they had and maybe a little bit more.

"We didn't expect to win," said Jimmy, "but we played the game to the top of our ability, with all the intestinal fortitude that can be geared up in a 150-pound headless youth."

Phelan also praised the coaches of the elevens his boys went up against along with the opposing players. "They

played their cleanest against us," were Phelan's words.

"However, with all that assistance from the opposition, I still believe we were justified in playing our kids against grown men. It has helped make men out of our boys and as they become of service age and leave to join the colors they will be better men for having played the game."

Let's doff the old lid just once to these kids who, although hopelessly outclassed and outweighed, were never outgamed, and were willing and eager to go out there and give all they had—not for gain, not for glory—but for the pure love of the game!

SORRY
In Tuesday's column we made an error that we would like to correct right now. The insinuations of dirty play made against the Klamath marines were made by the Camp Beale Bear aggregation and not Fairfield-Suisun. It seems we misunderstood Major Roberts on the issue.

Our apologies to the major and the Skymasters.

McDaniels After Big Dough In Encounter With Angott Friday

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Jimmy McDaniels, Los Angeles scrapper, is gambling heavily in Friday's Madison Square Garden bout with Sammy Angott for a chance at the big money.

The west coast prospect's manager, Ralph Gambina, figures an upset win over Angott, former champion, would make McDaniels a coast-to-coast attraction.

Services of Passing Ace Lost to Tigers

BROOKLYN, Nov. 9 (AP)—Ceel Johnson, the passing arm of the Brooklyn Tigers of the National Football league, left today for his Paris, Tex., home to report for induction Thursday into the armed service.

The Tigers resigned Bob Tricolor, a halfback who was cut loose a week ago, and picked up Halfback Steve Marko, a free agent who had been the property of the Philadelphia Eagles and Card-Pitts.

Mills Takes Speedball Tournament

Mills won the grade school speedball tournament Wednesday afternoon at Mills field. He was the victor over Roosevelt, who also established permanent possession of the physical education trophy by winning it for the third time.

The winners were ahead of the way, leading at the half by 3-2 count. Roosevelt, who was the darkhorse in the tournament, really gave the Mills boys a good time, however, and the game never decided until the final whistle.

Wally Eck of Mills was the scorer of the tilt with six points while Perry Kuhn paced Roosevelt with three. Buffalo Mills reserve, also accounted for three tallies.

Mills battled their way to the finals by defeating Fresno 15-4, and Fairview, 8-7. Yet Spira is coach of the victors. With Ed Attebury as mentor, Roosevelt fought its way to the big battle with a win of the Pelicans by a 4-2 score and drew a bye for its second round.

Lineups:
Mills: Mitchell, RF; R. Stanger, LF; B. Kasper, C; Duane Cummings, 2B; Eek, 3B; Delbert, SS; Dial, 1B; H. Stanger, P.
Roosevelt: H. Stanger, RF; Eek, LF; B. Kasper, C; Duane Cummings, 2B; Dial, SS; Dial, 1B; H. Stanger, P.

Scoring: Mills: Mitchell, H. Stanger, 3; Eek, 6; Roosevelt: H. Stanger, 2; Larson, 2; Dial, Cummings, 2; Kuhn, 3.

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Sports Briefs
By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Between now and New Year's Day a lot of folks who are promoting football games to sell war bonds and for other worthy causes are bound to be disappointed. The biggest attraction of course, would be to shift the Army-Navy game to a big city but that won't happen. . . . Next best likely would be another kind of Army-Navy tussle, say, Randolph field against Bainbridge, but chances are that won't be arranged, either. . . . Everybody wants Randolph but the word is that after the December 10 game with the Fourth Air Force, the Texas Fliers will be waiting for bowl lighting to strike. . . . And the navy teams will have difficulty getting permission to play such proposed tilts as Bainbridge-Camp Peary (return match scheduled November 25) at Baltimore and Fort Pierce, Fla., Amphibs vs. Chicago Bears at Miami.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Tommy Fitzgerald, Louisville Courier-Journal: General MacArthur has been mentioned as possible successor to Judge Landis as czar of baseball, but the job would have to wait for him. Right now he's pretty busy making free agents of the Fillipinos.

THE AGE OF SPORTS
W. C. (Pop) Anderson, Utah State's 35-year-old guard who is the oldest active griddier in the Rockies, explains that he took up football "because I wanted to see if I could take it. . . . If he takes it another year or so, he may find Sonny on the same team. He's father of two children, one 14. . . . Clara Saj, 15-year-old outfielder on an Amsterdarn, N. Y., girls softball team, made 20 hits in 31 times at bat last season for a .935 average. . . . Les Patrick, age almost 68, still drills occasionally with the teen-age Hockey Rangers and can bust up most of their attacks single-handed. . . . Coach Rube McCray of William and Mary claims the youngest one-two combination at center this season. First stringer Tommy Thompson of Woodbridge, N. J., is 17 years and 10 months and his sub, George Davis of Hopewell, Va., won't be 17 until late in December.

SERVICE DEPT.
Corp. Eddie Waitkus, who was scheduled to be the Cubs' first baseman until the army exercised priority, sends this report on an amphibious operation in the southwest Pacific to National league proxy Ford Frick: "I can't help but respect the men who planned this one of the amphibious force and the strategy that gave us a surprise and saved a lot of lives. It was like stealing home in a ball game. If it worked, swell! If it failed, it looked idiotic. Here it worked. . . . Lt. Col. William Stickney, recreation officer at Camp Lejeune, N. C., plans to play his marine basketball team play its home games in a parachute loft. . . . Ought to be a good idea if the team gets up in the air.

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